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I believe the inventors named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 6,481,591, granted NOVEMBER 19, 2002 and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled LAUNDRY ROLL HAMPER,

the specification of which

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is attached hereto.

☒was filed on 02/26/04 as reissue application number 10/688,869and was amended on 10/20/03  
(If applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.

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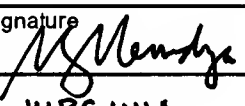
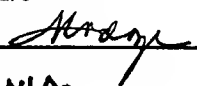
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This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.		
Name of Patentee(s) <b>REY ZABAT MENDOZA + WILHELMINA NAVARRO MENDOZA</b>		
Patent Number <b>6,481,591</b>	Date Patent Issued <b>NOVEMBER 19, 2002</b>	
Title of Invention <b>LAUNDRY ROLL HAMPER</b>		
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filed herein is a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b). (Form PTO/SB/96)</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Ownership of the patent is in the inventor(s), and no assignment of the patent is in effect.</p> <p>One of boxes 1 or 2 above must be checked. If multiple assignees, complete this form for each assignee. If box 2 is checked, skip the next entry and go directly to "Name of Assignee".</p> <p>The written consent of all assignees and inventors owning an undivided interest in the original patent is included in this application for reissue.</p>		
The assignee(s) owning an undivided interest in said original patent is/are <u>100%</u> , and the assignee(s) consents to the accompanying application for reissue.		
Name of assignee/inventor (if not assigned) <b>RZ MENDOZA FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP</b>		
Signature 	Date <b>12/9/05</b>	
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*was this day admitted to record in this office and that the said limited partnership is authorized to transact its business subject to all Virginia laws applicable to the limited partnership and its business.*



*State Corporation Commission*

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*Joel H. Peck*  
Clerk of the Commission

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